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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	Confirmation No.: 5309
Gary K. Michelson)	
Serial No.: 10/802,906)	Group Art Unit: 3775
Filed: March 17, 2004)	Examiner: Richard R. Shaffer
For: ORTHOPEDIC IMPLANT WITH)	
LOCKING ELEMENT (as amended))	

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action dated December 10, 2008 ("Office Action"), the period for reply having been extended for three months by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, Applicant submits the following remarks:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

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